

# Growing Up WILD™

## Professional Development Workshop

**Growing Up WILD: Exploring Nature with Young Children** is an early childhood education activity guide that builds on children's sense of wonder about nature and invites them to explore wildlife and the world around them. Through a wide range of activities and experiences, it provides a foundation for developing positive impressions about nature while also building lifelong social and cognitive skills. Workshop participants will receive a copy of the guide and certificate of completion.

### **Growing Up WILD's activity guide:**

- ✿ Is written for early childhood educators of children ages 3-7.
- ✿ Features 27 field-tested, hands-on, nature-based activities in a full-color 11"x17" activity guide.
- ✿ Includes crafts, art projects, music, conservation activities, reading and math connections and much more.
- ✿ Involves social, emotional, physical, language, and cognitive domains to help foster learning and development in all areas.
- ✿ Supports developmentally appropriate practice allowing children to learn at levels that are individually, socially, and culturally appropriate.
- ✿ Is correlated to the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Standards and the Head Start Domains.

### **Get Growing Up WILD:**

**Date:** Thursday May 1, 2014

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

**Location:** Broad Meadow Brook Wildlife Sanctuary, 414 Massasoit Road, Worcester  
([www.massaudubon.org/get-outdoors/wildlife-sanctuaries/broad-meadow-brook](http://www.massaudubon.org/get-outdoors/wildlife-sanctuaries/broad-meadow-brook))

**Workshop fee:** \$30/ person (pre-registration & payment required)

**To register:** Please contact Lisa Carlin, ([lcarlin@massaudubon.org](mailto:lcarlin@massaudubon.org)) or (508) 753-6087 x 13. Registration deadline April 26, 2014.

**Please bring:** comfortable clothes & shoes for indoor & outdoor activities  
lunch: refrigeration, microwave & toaster oven available  
pen or pencil  
sense of fun!



## Exploring Nature with Young Children

Ages 3-7

Project **WILD**™